



Project Status Report

Project Name: 3rd Crossing – EA Report

Department: Engineering

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PURPOSE

The Project Status Report is a document used as a means of formal monthly reporting on the status of a project to key project stakeholders.

A) Environmental Assessment Update

Background

On May 25, 2010, Council authorized that Stage 2 of the Third Crossing Environmental Assessment (EA) Study proceed. Stage 2 will complete the Third Crossing EA Study by building on the findings of the EA Stage 1 Summary Report that assessed the need for and the feasibility of implementing a third transportation crossing over the Cataraqui River. The EA Stage 1 Summary Report presented a number of river crossing options and recommended a bridge crossing at John Counter Boulevard and Gore Road as the preferred option.

Stage 2 activities involve fieldwork investigations by the project team at the preferred John Counter Boulevard-Gore Road corridor. For all the fieldwork activities noted below, plans have been prepared by the City's project team in accordance with Federal and Provincial guidelines. The plans have also been approved by the City of Kingston and Parks Canada.

| Discipline | Fieldwork Description in Study Area |
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| Geo-Environmental | Measuring Environmental characteristics. |
| Geo-Technical | Measures foundation characteristics in land/water. |
| Aquatic Ecological | Aquatic vegetation and fish sampling. |
| Terrestrial Ecological | Land vegetation and wildlife inventory. |
| Marine Archaeological | Marine/water based archaeological. |
| Terrestrial Archaeological | Based upon bridge location, land based arch. |
| Hydro-Technical | Water resource assessments. |
| Traffic Analysis | Intersection and adjacent community analysis. |
| First Nations | Discussions with First Nation communities. |

Completed/Ongoing Works in November 2011:

- Continued to document resident concerns, compliments, and suggestions for consideration into the EA.
- Continued to inform the public through the website and mailing lists as the project progresses with timely information releases.
- Updated the report descriptions and status list.
- Continued budget tracking of all project costs and anticipated expenses.
- Reviewed draft Heritage Impact Statement.
- Continued writing the Stage 2 Environmental Study Report.
- Progressed Noise Impact Study.
- Progressed hydraulic modeling work.
- Continued preparations for the upcoming Public Information Center.
- Executed communications plan for Stage 2 activities.
- Discussion draft and comments circulated to First Nations.

Work planned for December 2011:

- Continue preparations for the upcoming Public Information Center in 2012.
- Complete Noise Impact Study.
- Complete hydraulic modeling work.
- Complete the draft Stage 2 Environmental Study Report (ESR).
- Circulate draft ESR to Parks Canada for review.
- Continue to document resident concerns, compliments, and suggestions for consideration into the EA.
- Execute communications plan for Stage 2 activities.
- Continue to inform the public through the website and mailing lists as the project progresses with timely information releases.
- Continue First Nations consultation.
- Discussion draft and comments to be received by First Nations.